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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The references cited on attached form PTO-1449 are being called to the attention of the Examiner. Copies of the references are enclosed. *Approximately half of the newly cited references on the 1449 are being enclosed with this submission. The additional references are being concurrently mailed under separate cover to facilitate mailing.* It is respectfully requested that the cited information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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